



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

In re: PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE Bradford C. Webb

Serial No. Serial No: 08/870,199

Filed: June 5, 1997

Examiner: Z. Fay

Group Art Unit: 1614

For: SYNTHETIC VISCOELASTIC MATERIAL FOR OPHTHALMIC APPLICATIONS

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER
37 CFR 1.136 (a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.17**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

A three month extension of the period for response to the outstanding Official Action dated August 3, 1999, is hereby requested; the extended period for response will expire on February 3, 2000.

Please charge the \$870.00 extension fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c) to Deposit Account No. 01-0682. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-0682.

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Respectfully submitted,

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